

Sirens Defended

Editor, Torrance Herald,
I read your paper and would like to answer the "Wailing Siren" article.

It was a good story, but I think that you should print the other side, too.
About 98 per cent of emergency cars do not like to use sirens any more than people like to hear them. But all police and sheriff calls to ambulances are Code 3 calls. If they are not Code 3 calls, they will tell us so before we start.

Ambulance drivers, after they arrive on the scene, will determine if they should return Code 3. We must answer our emergency calls in the shortest amount of time as a life may depend on how fast they receive treatment.

A Code 3 is a dangerous call for any emergency car and requires all the skill and knowledge that a driver must gain after years of experience.

Most of us have dogs of our own and realize that the siren hurts their ears.

But, we feel that the welfare of our fellowman must come first and is of far more importance.

I hope this letter will enlighten people as to why we use sirens.

A DRIVER

Hospital Lauded

Editor, Torrance Herald
The American people today are taking the good things in life to much for granted. To this, most people answer, "Well, we pay for it. So what!"

But there are some things we pay for and don't get, partly from our own unresponsive attitude, and partly because of the thoughtlessness of others.

There are some things money can't buy, and these are what I would like to speak of in this letter.

It has been my lot to spend some time in fifteen different hospitals, so I think I should be a pretty good connoisseur of what goes to make up a superior institution of this kind.

It has been my privilege (and privilege I mean) to spend the last three weeks in the Torrance Memorial Hospital, 1425 Engracia Ave.

I would like to express my appreciation to this fine institution for a job well done.

One is deeply impressed with this cooperation and unity among the workers, the complete absence of self-esteem among the personnel, and still the highest degree of efficiency was exerted in my behalf.

These angels of mercy go far beyond their line of duty, with their cheerful manners, sympathetic understanding, and ever-ready, "Is there anything I can do to make you comfortable? Can I get anything for you, or help in any other way?" And this is the attitude of every employee in the Torrance Memorial Hospital, 24 hours a day.

I was not just another patient in the hospital, but rather some one the hospital took a personal, loving interest in. I have found that this is the attitude of the Torrance Memorial Hospital with all of its guests.

MRS. F. K. SIPLE
2154 W. 238th St.

Ballot Information

Since we, citizens of Torrance, are voting the last of this month on a \$3,000,000 bond issue for Parks and Recreation for our city, and since there is a controversy between the playground commission and the city council about this issue, we wish you, our city paper could do some investigating on both sides for us, so we may have a few more facts before we need to vote.

Could you interview representatives of the city council, the recreation commission, the recreation department, others working with our youth such as the churches, the PTA, the city schools, the Y's and the Scouts, and then report to us.

Ask them not only what they are against, but what do they each suggest as the best procedure now. If the \$3,000,000 is not allotted to adequately meet our needs, what shall we do—vote this issue down and bring it up again in the spring; or vote this issue in, knowing it is inadequate and more must come later. \$3,000,000 is a lot of money to be spent carelessly or unwisely, and the business of building a city that

will adequately meet the needs of its citizens is vital to every one of us.

In the end (as well as the beginning) it is every one of us who is going to pay for it, either the building adequately or the result of the neglect of building adequately.

Thank you if you could do this. It would be a real public service.

MRS. CARL LANE

Likes Cooperation

Editor, Torrance Herald,
On behalf of myself and the members of the North Torrance Fuchsia Society, I wish to thank you and your staff for the splendid coverage that you have given us during the past year.

Publicity is the keynote of any successful organization, and the Torrance HERALD has been very cooperative in publishing articles and pictures concerning activities of our club.

MARGARET CLARK
President

Second Anniversary

Editor, Torrance Herald,
On Sept. 19, 1957, the Volunteers for Children, Inc. celebrated their second birthday of being substitute mothers to the children at Harbor General Hospital.

We, of the Volunteers, would especially like to thank you at this happy time for all your help during the past two years. Without this wonderful help, the group would not have grown as fast nor have been able to give the children all the material things they have received.

To you and the marvelous staff of the Torrance HERALD, the Volunteers for Children Inc. would sincerely like to thank you on behalf of the children. God bless you.

MRS. JOSEPH DOCK

Local Demos Ask Anderson To Seek Post

Glen M. Anderson, former Mayor of Hawthorne and once a member of the State Legislature, was proposed as a Democratic candidate for the office of Lieutenant governor this week by the 17th Congressional District Democratic Council.

In a resolution adopted at its Sunday meeting, the Council lauded Anderson for his long record of "being a diligent and effective worker for the Democratic party."

The resolution further attested to his qualifications as a candidate by saying "he has proved his electability to public office."

Anderson is currently vice chairman of the California Democratic Council. He has been chairman of the Democratic County Central Committee and chairman of the Democratic State Central Committee.

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